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FOR TUMMINIA, ARA/CAR

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF UNDER SECRETARY HABIB

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1. REVISED SCHEDULE IN REF A IS ACCEPTABLE TO GOG.
EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT UNDER SECRETARY HABIB AND MR.
TICE STAY AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. GOG HAS OFFERED
USE OF HERDMASTON HOUSE, A GOVERNMENT GUEST HOUST, BUT NO
FEELING WILL BE HURT IF THE UNDER SECRETARY STAYS
AT THE US RESIDENCE. LATTER IS CLOSER TO CHANCERY AND
FOREIGN MINISTRY.

2. DURING TALK WITH CHARGE JUNE3, WILLS SUGGESTED
THAT MEETINGS WITH SENIOR GOG LEADERS BE
SCHEDULED MONDAY, JUNE 20, AND THAT ON TUESDAY MORNING, THE
UNDERSECRETARY COULD BE FLOWN OVER THE UPPER MAZARUNI
DEVELOPMENT AREA AND DAM SIGHT AND WOULD ALSO SEE KAITEUR
FALLS. IF THIS WERE DONE, SUBSTANTIVE MEETINGS PROBABLY
WOULD ALL HAVE TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 20.
SCHEDULE ON JUNE 20 COULD BE APPROXIMATELY AS FOLLOWS:
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0900 - 0945 MEETING WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS.

1000 GROUP MEETING WITH SENIOR GOG MINISTERS.

1200 INFORMAL LUNCHEON HOSTED BY FOREIGN
MINISTER AND ATTENDED BY ABOUT TEN SENIOR

GUYANESE GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES.

1500 MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER.

1730 BRIEF MEETING AT RESIDENCE WITH MISSION STAFF AND WIVES.

2000 INFORMAL STAG DINNER HOSTED BY CHARGE AND
ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENT,
INDUSTRY AND PRIVATE SECTOR.
(ALTERNATIVELY A SMALL STAG RECEPTION COULD
BE HELD, BUT WE BELIEVE DINNER WILL OFFER
BETTER OPPORTUNITY FOR SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS.)

3. ON TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 21, THE UNDER SECRETARY COULD
BE FLOWN TO THE UPPER MAZARUNI AREA, AND VISIT KAITEUR
FALLS. PERIOD AFTER LUNCHEON COULD BE USED FOR REST OR
OTHER MEETINGS AS DESIRED.

4. SHOULD THE MEETING ON JUNE 20 WITH BURNHAM CONTINUE
UNTIL 1700 OR AFTER, THE MEETING WITH MISSION STAFF AND
WIVES COULD BE SHIFTED UNTIL EARLY AFTERNOON ON JUNE 21.

5. SHOULD THE UNDER SECRETARY PREFER NOT TO MAKE THE TRIP
TO MAZARUNI, THE MORNING OF JUNE 21 COULD BE USED FOR
RESTING OR ONE OR TWO MEETINGS WITH GUYANESE BUSINESSMEN
AND/OR FOREIGN DIPLOMATS. ALSO CHARGE COULD HOST A LUNCHEON
ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF CROSS SECTION OF
GUYANESE SOCIETY AND SOME CHIEFS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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6. AMBASSADOR MANN WILL RETURN TO GEORGETOWN FROM
WASHINGTON FOR THE VISIT AND WILL PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS.
THE MINISTERS WHO WILL ATTEND MEETING WITH THE UNDER
SECRETARY ARE: FONMIN WILLS OR HUBERT JACK, MINISTER OF
ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES; DESMOND HOYTE, MINISTER OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FRANKLIN HOPE, MINISTER OF FINANCE;
AND PTOLEMY REID, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER. IN ADDITION, THE
FOLLOWING PERSONS WILL ATTEND THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S
LUNCHEON: GAVIN KENNARD, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE;
GEORGE KING, MINISTER OF INTERNAL TRADE; PAT THOMPSON,
CHAIRMAN, GUYANA BAUXITE COMPANY (GUYBAU); AND HAROLD
DAVIS, CHAIRMAN, GUYANA SUGAR CORPORATION (GUYSUCO).
IF THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS BIO DATA ON ANY OF THE ABOVE,
PLEASE ADVISE.

7. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT THE UNDER SECRETARY WOULD FIND
THE TRIP TO UPPER MAZARUNI AND KAITEUR INTERESTING.
PLEASE INFORM US OF UNDER SECRETARY'S PREFERENCES
CONCERNING SCHEDULE AND ALTERNATIVES.

8. CHARGE WILL MEET AGAIN WITH WILLS ON JUNE 4 AFTER
WILLS HAS CONSULTED AGAIN WITH BURNHAM. ADDITIONAL
DETAILS WILL BE CABLED FOLLOWING THAT MEETING.
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